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WAXMAN AND DAVIS JOINT STATEMENT ON MITCHELL REPORT

WASHINGTON, DC — Following the release of the Mitchell report, Chairman Henry A. Waxman and Ranking Minority Member Tom Davis released the following statement:

"This is a sad day for Major League Baseball but a good day for integrity in sports. It's an important step towards the goal of eliminating the use of performance enhancing substances.

"The Mitchell report is sobering. It shows the use of steroids and human growth hormone has been and is a significant problem in Major League Baseball. And it shows that everyone involved in Major League Baseball bears some responsibility for this scandal.

"We are going to ask Senator George Mitchell, Commissioner Bud Selig, and the President of the Major League Players Association, Don Fehr, to testify at a House Oversight and Government Reform hearing on Tuesday, December 18. We look forward to their testimony on whether the Mitchell report's recommendations will be adopted and whether additional measures are needed.

"We want to commend Commissioner Selig for authorizing this investigation and thank Senator Mitchell for his dedication to this effort.